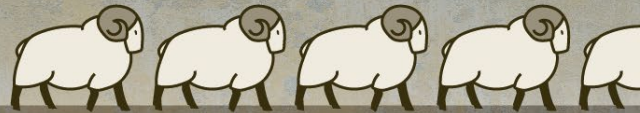


September 12 - 15, 2024

**Followers of Christ
Are Armed
for Battle**

THE NEED FOR



FOLLOWERSHIP

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church

Juneau

Salem-Lowell

Horicon

Hymn 870

“O Church, Arise”



1 O Church, a - rise and put your ar - mor on; hear the
 2 Our call to war— to love the cap - tive soul, but to
 3 Come see the cross, where love and mer - cy meet, as the
 4 So Spir - it come, put strength in ev - 'ry stride, give—



call of Christ our cap - tain. For now the weak can say that
 rage a - gainst the cap - tor; and with the sword that makes the
 Son of God is strick - en; then see his foes lie crushed be -
 grace for ev - 'ry hur - dle, that we may run with faith to



they are strong in the strength that God has giv - en.
 wound - ed whole we will fight with faith and val - or.
 neath his feet, for the Con - quer - or has ris - en!
 win the prize of a ser - vant good and faith - ful.



With shield of faith and belt of truth we'll stand a -
 When faced with trials on ev - 'ry side, we know the
 And as the stone is rolled a - way, and Christ e -
 As saints of old still line the way, re - tell - ing



gainst the dev - il's lies; an ar - my bold whose bat - tle
 out - come is se - cure, and Christ will have the prize for
 merg - es from the grave, this vic - t'ry march con - tin - ues
 tri - umphs of his grace, we hear their calls and hun - ger



cry is love, reach-ing out to those in dark-ness.
which he died— an in-her-it-ance of na-tions.
till the day ev-'ry eye and heart shall see him.
for the day when with Christ we stand in glo-ry.

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



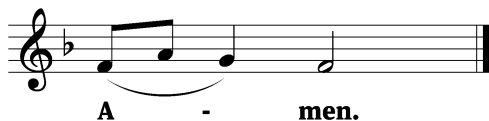
Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



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Glory Be to God on High

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



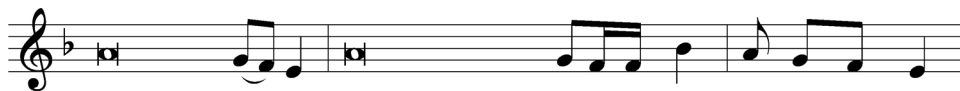
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



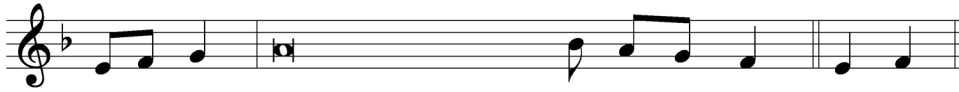
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

1 Kings 18:21–39

²¹Then Elijah said to all the people, “How long will you stagger around on two crutches? If the LORD is God, follow him. If Baal is God, follow him.” But the people did not answer him a single word.

²²Then Elijah said to the people, “I am the only one left of the LORD’s prophets, but the prophets of Baal total four hundred fifty men. ²³Provide two bulls for us. Let them choose one bull for themselves and cut it up and place it on the firewood, but they are

not to light the fire. I will prepare the other bull and place it on the firewood, but I will not light the fire. ²⁴Then you will call on the name of your god, and I will call on the name of the LORD. The god who answers with fire, he is God.”

All the people said, “This proposal is good.”

²⁵Then Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, “Choose for yourselves one bull, and you go first because there are so many of you. Call on the name of your god. But do not light the fire.”

²⁶So they took the bull which had been given to them and prepared it. Then they called on the name of Baal from morning until noon, “Baal! Answer us!” But there was not a sound. No one answered. So they staggered around the altar which they had made.

²⁷When noon came, Elijah mocked them: “Shout louder! He is a god, isn't he? He may be deep in thought or busy or on a journey. Perhaps he is asleep and will wake up!” ²⁸So they cried out with a loud voice, and according to their practice they cut themselves with daggers and spears until their blood flowed. ²⁹After noon, they kept up a prophetic frenzy until the time of the evening sacrifice, but there was no sound. No one answered. There was no response.

³⁰Then Elijah said to all the people, “Come here to me.” So they came to him, and he repaired the altar of the LORD, which had been torn down. ³¹Elijah took twelve stones, one for each of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the LORD had come and had proclaimed, “Your name shall be Israel.” ³²He built the stones into an altar in the name of the LORD. Around it he made a trench big enough to hold twenty-five pounds of seed. ³³He arranged the wood, cut up the bull, and placed it on the wood.

Then he said, “Fill four jars with water and pour it on the sacrifice and on the wood.” ³⁴Then he said, “Do it again.” So they did it again. Then he said, “Do it a third time.” So they did it a third time. ³⁵The water flowed all around the altar. It even filled the trench.

³⁶When the time of the evening sacrifice had arrived, Elijah the prophet stood up and said, “O LORD, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel and that I am your servant and that I have done all these things by your word. ³⁷Answer me, LORD! Answer me so that this people will know that you, O LORD, are God and that you are turning their hearts back to you.”

³⁸Fire from the LORD fell on the sacrifice and on the wood, the stones, and the dirt. It even licked up the water in the trench. ³⁹When all the people saw this, they fell on their knees and said, “The LORD, he is God! The LORD, he is God!”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day 46

CW '93

Refrain



The might-y Lord is with us; the God of Ja-cob is our for-tress.

Psalm tone



God is our refuge and strength,*
an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way*
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,

though its waters roar and foam*
and the mountains quake with their surging. **Refrain**

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,*
the holy place where the Most High dwells.

God is within her, she will not fall;*
God will help her at break of day.

“Be still, and know that I am God;*
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth.”

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

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Second Reading

Ephesians 6:10–18

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹Put on the full armor of God, so that you can stand against the schemes of the Devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the world rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³For this reason, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to take a stand on the evil day and, after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴Stand, then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness fastened in place, ¹⁵and with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace tied to your feet like sandals. ¹⁶At all times hold up the shield of faith, with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the Evil One. ¹⁷Also take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸At every opportunity, pray in the Spirit with every kind of prayer and petition. Stay alert for the same reason, always persevering in your intercession for all the saints.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Special Anthem

8:00 AM

Junior Choir

“His Robes for Mine”

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Psalm 31:1

Alleluia. In you, LORD, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness. Alleluia.

¹⁴When they returned to the other disciples, they saw a large crowd around them, and some experts in the law were arguing with them. ¹⁵As soon as all the people in the crowd saw Jesus, they were very excited and ran to greet him. ¹⁶He asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?”

¹⁷One man from the crowd answered him, “Teacher, I brought you my son, who has a spirit that makes him unable to speak. ¹⁸Wherever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams at the mouth, grinds his teeth, and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive it out, but they could not.”

¹⁹“O unbelieving generation,” Jesus replied. “How long will I be with you? How long will I put up with you? Bring him to me.”

²⁰They brought the boy to Jesus. As soon as the spirit saw him, it threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell on the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth.

²¹Jesus asked the boy's father, “How long has this been happening to him?”

“From childhood,” he said. ²²“It has often thrown him into the fire and into the water to kill him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.”

²³“If you can?!” Jesus said to him. “All things are possible for the one who believes.”

²⁴The child's father immediately cried out and said with tears, “I do believe. Help me with my unbelief!”

²⁵When Jesus saw that a crowd was quickly gathering, he rebuked the unclean spirit. “You mute and deaf spirit,” he said, “I command you to come out of him and never enter him again!”

²⁶The spirit screamed, shook the boy violently, and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many of them said, “He's dead!” ²⁷But Jesus took him by the hand, raised him up, and he stood up.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Hymn 517

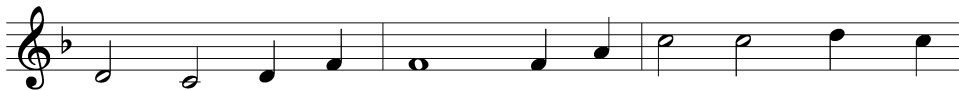
“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”



1 Praise the one who breaks the dark - ness with a lib - er -
 2 Praise the one who blessed the chil - dren with a strong, yet
 3 Let us praise the Word in - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; praise the one who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing
 gen - tle, word; praise the one who drove out de - mons with the
 in our place; Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious that we



blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the one who preached the
 pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the one who brings cool
 may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, calm - ing
 wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand; from this
 glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done; let us



storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the Fa - ther's word of peace.
 well comes liv - ing wa - ter, quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
 praise the true Re - deem - er, praise the one who makes us one.

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Sermon

Mark 9:14-27

Trust the Weapon of the Word

Stand

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [especially . . . here name the person]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Offering

Juneau and Salem-Lowell Campuses

Stand

Offering Hymn 748 v.1

“Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly”

1 Broth - ers, sis - ters, let us glad - ly give to God our all, our
best: ser - vice heart - y, thor - ough, hon - est, with a
liv - ing love im - pressed. All our du - ty, all our
striv - ing, all our time to him be - long; praise him,
then, with true de - vo - tion, come be - fore him with a song.

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Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

Amen.

Be seated

Hymn 869

“Onward, Christian Soldiers”



1 On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, march - ing as to war,
 2 Like a might - y ar - my moves the Church of God;
 3 Crowns and thrones may per - ish, king - doms rise and wane,
 4 On - ward, then, ye faith - ful, join our hap - py throng,



with the cross of Je - sus go - ing on be - fore.
 broth - ers, we are tread - ing where the saints have trod.
 but the Church of Je - sus con - stant will re - main.
 blend with ours your voic - es in the tri - umph song:



Christ, the roy - al mas - ter, leads a - gainst the foe;
 We are not di - vid - ed, all one bod - y we,
 Gates of hell can nev - er 'gainst that Church pre - vail;
 Glo - ry, laud, and hon - or un - to Christ the King;



for - ward in - to bat - tle see his ban - ners go!
 one in hope and doc - trine, one in char - i - ty.
 we have Christ's own prom - ise, and that can - not fail.
 this through count - less a - ges saints and an - gels sing,

Refrain



On - ward, Chris - tian sol - diers, march - ing as to war,



with the cross of Je - sus go - ing on be - fore.

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Announcements

Church Directory Photo Information

Harmann Studios has partnered with us to take photos and create a new pictorial church directory for St. John's! See below for new details and information!

- Photos will be taken Oct. 16-19 and 23-25 in the Juneau Fellowship Hall
- Scan the QR code or visit our website/app to reserve your family's time to take photos ASAP! Please call the church office if you need any assistance.
- ALL members of each campus are encouraged to participate
- Every participating family will receive a COMPLIMENTARY 5x7 or 8x10 print of their favorite picture
- Larger families (7+ members) are encouraged to sign up early as they require a longer time block, approximately 30 minutes. Groups of 4-6 can plan approximately 20 minutes while small families of 1-3 people will take around 10 minutes.



If your family chooses to purchase ANY prints, you will receive the church directory for free. The cost for a directory without the purchase of any prints is \$15.

Update Your Info! There are packets in the narthex at each campus with all of our members' contact and address information. Please take a couple minutes to check this information and update it if needed so we can add it to the new church directory. Once you have looked it over, please initial it. You may also check the box to omit any pieces of info from the directory.

Thank you to Pastor Luetke:

We thank Pastor Luetke for his time of service in the ministry and especially here at St. John's! There is a card box available for him through Sept. 22nd if you would like to show your personal appreciation!

Bruce and Diana Wietzke's Open House/House warming party

- All welcome (rain or shine)- Bring a lawn chair
- Sunday, September 22, Noon - 4pm
- N6984 Thompson Road, Beaver Dam, WI 53916



Shooting at the Schillings:

Looking for some outdoor fun? We will be shooting clay pigeons at the Schillings' farm on Sunday, September 22nd at 2:00pm. We ask that shooters be experienced gun handlers or have taken hunter's safety. Not interested in shooting clay pigeons? No problem, come support others and enjoy fellowship time at this unique event!

N2960 County Rd K, Watertown (Town of Lowell)



Juneau Campus Custodian Needed!

Our Juneau Campus is looking for someone who could clean and perform custodial duties a couple hours each week. Please contact Scott Bilgrien (920-362-0199) if interested!

School Alumni Reunion (Classes 1980s-1990s):

The first of our St. John's School Alumni Reunions will be held at both services on Sunday Oct. 6 with guest preacher Pastor Wietzke! Pastor Wietzke will be preaching at each of our four services that weekend. We encourage anyone who graduated/was confirmed in the 80's or 90's to join us as part of our church and school anniversary celebrations. Please help spread the word to anyone who may be interested!

New and Upcoming Bible Class Opportunities!

- **Sunday Morning (Salem-Lowell 9:00 AM & Juneau 9:15 AM):**
 - A new topic begins September 15th as we work through the book of Romans. Martin Luther once wrote that Romans “is worthy not only that every Christian should know it word for word, by heart, but occupy himself with it every day, as the daily bread of the soul.” Join us for some soul food!
- **Monday Evening Class Returning (Juneau 6:30 PM):**
 - Monday evening class will be returning on September 23rd! Pastor Gumm will be leading the class on Moses: Servant of God. Each lesson is independent so jump in at any time!
- **Tuesday Bible Class (Salem-Lowell 4:00 PM & Juneau 6:30 PM):**
 - The last lesson of the Angels and Demons study will be held on Sept. 24th. A new study based on the book *Embracing Your Lutheran Identity* by Gene Edward Veith Jr. will begin on October 8th! If you would like a book to enhance your study, please sign up in the narthex at Juneau or Salem-Lowell by Sept. 29th. Cost is approximately \$13/book.



Thank you volunteers! (9/12-9/15)

Greeters

6:30 PM Pastors, Scott and Dawn Wohling
8:00 AM Pastors, Carol Soldner, Alexis Voigt

Ushers

6:30 PM Lee Weiss, Dylan Stegner
8:00 AM Chuck Wolfram, Bruce Soldner, Nick Voigt, Keith Weinheimer
10:15 AM Ken Leistico, Wyatt Stowell, Larry Westenberg, Oscar Stowell

Lawn Mowing (*Week of Sept. 16th*)

Juneau: Team 2 Rick Leissring and Jim Bublitz
Lowell: Team 1 Dennis Kohn, Matt & Isaiah Yuenger

This Week at St. John's

J= Juneau Campus, SL= Salem-Lowell Campus,
H= Horicon Campus

Sunday (9/15)

Worship 8:00 AM (J) ; 10:15 AM (SL)

Bible Class 9:00 AM (SL); 9:15 AM (J)

Blood Pressure Checks 9:00 AM- J

Tuesday (9/17)

Jesus Cares 1:30 PM- Clearview

Wednesday (9/18)

Midweek Worship

- Clearview 10 AM
- Juneau 11 AM
- Hillside Mannor 2 PM

Choir 6:30 PM- J

Thursday (9/19)

Worship 6:30 PM- J

Saturday (9/21)

Worship 5:00 PM- H

Sunday (9/22)

Worship 8:00 AM (J) ; 10:15 AM (SL)

Bible Class 9:00 AM (SL); 9:15 AM (J)

(Clay) Shooting @ Schillings
2:00 PM- Schilling Farm

Statistics

Offerings given to our Lord

	<u>8/29-9/1</u>
General	\$ 10,418.43
Debt	\$ 208.15
Improvement	\$ 0.00
Lakeside	\$ 85.00
Missions	\$ 706.90
Total	\$ 11,418.48

Attendance

Weekend of Sept. 1st 305 (54,30,152,69)

*At our Voter's Meeting, our congregation approved a weekly budget with an average total of \$20,246 (includes General, Lakeside and Missions) needed every week. **Since the beginning of 2022, our congregation has gone from zero debt to drawing a total of \$169,748.39 from the line of credit.** Please continue to support St. John's through your time, talents, treasures, and prayers.*

Welcome to St. John's

WELCOME

We are so glad you joined us to worship our Lord Jesus today! St. John's is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We are happy to answer your questions about our service, our beliefs, or communicant membership at any of our campuses. Please join us again soon!

PERSONAL PRAYER AFTER WORSHIP

Good Shepherd, I was glad to be here, gathered with your flock to worship you. Cause the Word I have heard to take root in my heart and bear fruit in my life. Guide me in paths of righteousness, that my words and actions might lead others to glorify you. Amen.

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Principal

Richard Cody 920-386-4644

Staff Minister

Ryan Kummerow 608-345-1900

Worship Services

Thursday

6:30 PM Juneau

Saturday

5:00 PM Horicon

Sunday

8:00 AM Juneau

10:15 AM Lowell

Bible Classes

Sunday

Juneau Campus

9:15 AM

Salem-Lowell Campus

9:00 AM

Tuesday (2nd, 4th, 5th)

Lowell Campus

4:00 PM

Juneau Campus

6:30 PM

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